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COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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BAN ON WHEAT EXPORTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has extended the ban on wheat exports for an indefinite period; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI KAMAL NATH)

(a) Yes,Sir. Export of Wheat was initially prohibited upto 31st December, 2007. Subsequently,this prohibition has been extended indefinitely vide notification dated 8th October,2007.

(b) The decision was taken by the government to ensure availability of wheat in the domestic market.